GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
COAL
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:4204
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COAL REJECTED BY WASHERIES
Mahto Shri Tek Lal

Will the Minister of COAL be pleased to state:

(a) whether lakhs of tonnes of coal rejected by washeries of Central Coalfields Limited in Dhori, Kargali, Swangwashary, Kathara are lying unused;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government is aware that the said rejected coal is not only causing serious water and air pollution in the region but has also caused loss to the tune of crores of rupees to the Government and the companies;

(d) if so, the details in this regard;

(e) whether the Government proposes to sell the said rejected coal through open tender; and

(f) if so, the steps taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COAL (DR. DASARI NARAYANA RAO)

(a)&(b): Yes, Sir. Rejects are lying undisposed at Kargali, Sawang and Kathara washery of Central Coalfields Limited (CCL) because there are no linked consumers/regular buyers.

(c)&(d): There is no report from State Pollution Control Board regarding air and water pollution from these rejects.

(e)&(f): CCL has already taken action for disposal of rejects lying at various washeries of CCL through trial e-auction.